

## INSPECT SIGNAL CORPS ON NEXT MONDAY NIGHT

Orders Issued by War Department to Adjutant-General to Direct Special Review.

**RAISED TO "TYPE D" COMPANY**  
Command Has Reached Minimum Strength for Higher Grade and Will Be Furnished With Expensive Equipment.

Orders have been received from the War Department, Division of Military Affairs, directing that the Signal Corps, which was recently raised from a Type C to Type D company, be inspected to see that all requirements for the new grade have been complied with. Adjutant-General W. W. Sale yesterday issued an order for the inspection to be held on next Monday night by Captain Arthur M. Shipp, U. S. A., Inspector-in-Chief, Virginia Volunteers.

The inspection will be held in the Richmond Grays Armory, Seventh and Marshall Streets, in which the organization has its quarters. It will be primarily for the purpose of ascertaining whether or not the Signal Corps is in a position to properly care for the valuable equipment which will be issued for its use. The organization had not been perfected at the time of the annual Government inspection of the Virginia militia was made, and was, therefore, not included in Captain Shipp's itinerary.

Since the Signal Corps was mustered into the State service in April it has increased its strength to sixty-nine enlisted men and three officers, the minimum of a Type D company, and was raised to that standard within a month of the muster. The company has been drilling regularly once a week for three months, and, in addition, has three classes in telegraphy and one in wireless telegraphy receiving instruction.

### WIRELESS OUTFITS WILL BE ISSUED TO CORPS

Immediately after being inspected by Captain Shipp, the field equipment, including portable wireless outfits, will be issued to the Signal Corps. The wireless airdials are being installed on the roof of the armory, with the top of the mast towering 130 feet above the street level. All that remains before the station is put in operation is to install the instruments.

Arrangements are being made to bring the company up to a high state of efficiency, as it will be called upon to do important work during the summer encampment the latter part of next month. The Signal Corps will be required to transmit all orders during the manoeuvres, bringing into use at that time telephones, telegraphs, semaphore, heliographs and flags. It is expected that sixty men will go into camp.

General Sale has sent in requisitions for the organization, and the property will be here in a few weeks. The company is now fully equipped with uniforms, and has much of its field outfit on hand.

Orders have been issued by General Sale for elections to be held by the Second Infantry, to fill vacancies in the captaincy of two companies. The resignations of Captain A. T. Eskridge, Company L, at Pulaski, and Captain D. M. Borum, Company K, at Strasburg, have been accepted. First Lieutenant H. W. Calfee and First Lieutenant J. R. McCoy are acting as commanding officers of their respective organizations.

Captain R. M. Biddgood, Company B, Richmond Light Infantry Blues, has been granted a leave of absence for thirty days, beginning June 15, with permission to leave the State. Captain D. S. Einstein, quartermaster's department, has been granted a thirty-day furlough from duty, with permission to leave the State.

## TEN CHARTERS ISSUED TO VIRGINIA CONCERN

State Corporation Commission Has Busy Day Issuing Incorporation Papers and Amendments.

Ten charters and two amendments to charters were issued yesterday by the State Corporation Commission. They were as follows:

Amendment to charter of Twin City Coal and Ice Co., Inc., Bristol, creating \$25,000 preferred stock.  
The Six Club, Inc., Nix's Wharf, Capital stock, \$1,500 to \$5,000. R. T. Woodward, President; Suffolk, J. W. Withers, secretary, Norfolk. Purposes: maintain a pleasure club.

Callie Mining Company, Inc., Glen Wilton, Capital stock, \$10,000 to \$25,000. William W. Hearne, president, Philadelphia, Pa.; James C. Green, secretary and treasurer, Cincinnati, Ohio. Purposes: mining business.

Orange Fair Association, Inc., Orange, Capital stock, \$1,000 to \$10,000. H. O. Lyne, president; W. L. Bradbury, secretary and treasurer—both of Orange. Purposes: conduct fair and stock shows.

Virginia-Carolina Disinfectant Company, Inc., Richmond, Capital stock, \$10,000 to \$100,000. T. W. Pitts, president; H. G. Pitts, secretary and treasurer—both of Richmond. Purposes: manufacturing and selling disinfectants, etc.

Prix Piano Company, Inc., Danville, Capital stock, \$10,000 to \$25,000. C. W. Prix, president; W. C. Smith, secretary and treasurer—both of Danville. Purposes: dealing in musical instruments.

O. W. Guy Company, Inc., Norfolk, Capital stock, \$10,000 to \$25,000. O. W. Guy, president; N. S. Jones, secretary and treasurer—both of Norfolk. Purposes: dealing in coal of all kinds.

Union Savings Bank of Alexandria, Va., Inc., Alexandria, Capital stock, \$10,000 to \$25,000. Dr. E. A. Gorman, president; J. B. Gorman, secretary—both of Alexandria. Purposes: conduct a State bank.

Amendment to charter of Newport News and Hampton Railway, Gas and Electric Company, Newport News. Reducing capital stock from \$2,500,000 to \$2,000,000.

General Chemical Company, Inc., Alexandria, Capital stock, \$10,000 to \$100,000. John E. Slater, president; John P. Gruney, secretary—both of Washington. Purposes: manufacturing and selling chemicals; dealing in real estate, etc.

Pan Baseball Company, Inc., Herndon, Capital stock, \$35,000. C. C. Maynor, president; Fred J. Gaultlett, secretary—both of Washington. Purposes: baseball club.

Foreign chambers domesticated, Barrett Manufacturing Company, a West Virginia corporation, with \$5,000,000 capital stock, to do coal-tar products business. M. L. Pendley, State agent, Richmond.

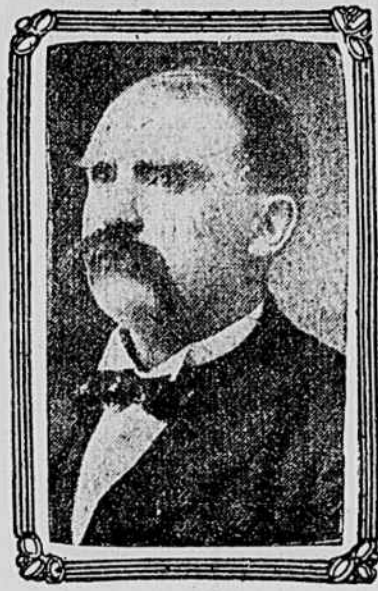
## WOMAN PARDONED

Never Sentenced, but Spent More Than a Year in Jail at Lexington.

A pardon was issued yesterday by Governor Stuart, giving Minnie Watkins, colored, who has been in jail at Lexington for over a year, her freedom.

The woman pleaded guilty to a charge of aiding a prisoner to escape from the Lexington jail, where she was employed by the sheriff as a cook. She was not sentenced after she pleaded guilty, because the State wished to use her as a witness in a case. In recommending executive clemency Judge Holt said that had he sentenced her, he would have given her the minimum punishment of one year in the penitentiary. She has been in jail over a year he urged that she be released.

## OFFICERS OF VIRGINIA PRESS ASSOCIATION AND SOME SCENES STATE'S EDITORS WILL VISIT



E. G. MOSELEY, Chaplain.



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CHARLES B. COOKE, President.



J. L. HART, Secretary.



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CONGRESSMAN C. C. CARLIN, who will make address.



ROBERT S. BARRETT, of the Alexandria Gazette.

## ARGUMENT HAS BEGUN IN ANNEXATION CASE

Judge Campbell Limits Talk by Counsel for City and County to Four Hours.

### COLONEL ANDERSON OPENS

Accused by Cabell of Uttering "Untruth," and Latter Is Taken to Task by City Attorney—Garnett to Present Ginter Park's Claim.

Judge Campbell, sitting in the annexation case now being argued in the Henrico County Circuit Court, yesterday limited the argument of the city and county to four hours each, and that of the individual interests to one-half hour each. As the city and county consumed about two hours each of their allotted time yesterday, it is hoped that the argument will be closed this afternoon, but this is uncertain, because of the doubt as to how many of the special interests will be represented.

Considerable confusion was caused during the argument of Assistant City Attorney Anderson when he was interrupted by Royal E. Cabell, who declared that certain statements made by the attorney were untrue. He was given opportunity to qualify his remarks, and when he reiterated the charges, the City Attorney turned to him with a sharp injunction to be careful in the use of the word "untrue."

### COLONEL ANDERSON OPENS

Colonel Anderson began the argument for the city, and used about two hours in calling the attention of the court to the fact that all necessary laws for annexation and the terms of the annexation were on the statute and ordinance books, and in reiterating the city's claims as to the need of additional territory.

Commonwealth's Attorney Frank T. Sutton was the next to speak, and he consumed the afternoon session in emphasizing the hardships which annexation might work upon Henrico County, and in again stating that Richmond was not in need of expansion for the purpose of building homes for the workmen, because of the fact that a portion of Fulton Hill and the neighboring territory was not built up.

It is probable that Attorney C. B. Garnett, representing Ginter Park, will argue this morning, and that Attorney C. V. Meredith may argue for other interests. Richard Evelyn Byrd and H. M. Smith, Jr., will conclude the argument for the county, and City Attorney Pollard will close for the city. Judge Campbell will take the case under advisement before rendering an opinion.

## DAM WILL CAUSE LOSS TO CITY ELECTRIC PLANT

On the report of E. W. Trafford that the Old Dominion Iron and Nail Works is building a concrete dam on the north termination of the works toward the north bank of the James River and that the effect of the dam would be to divert water from the City Elec-



BERTHA GRAY ROBINSON, Historian.

tric Plant, the Administrative Board yesterday referred the matter to the City Attorney. It is said that the City Electric Plant operates 70 per cent of the time by water power, and loss of sufficient power to operate the plant would be a serious expense to the city.

City Engineer Bolling reported that the Virginia Railway and Power company had refused to pay the bill of C. M. Weinbrunn for paving along the company's track in Hull Street, between Second and Fourth, and he was notified by the board that the city looks to the railway company to pay the bill, and that the city does not assume any responsibility. The bill is for 100 square yards paving, and amounts to \$29.

J. Herbert Mercer, sheriff, requested that his office be placed among the offices cleaned by the City Hall janitor, and the board directed that his "little room" be cleaned by the same janitor who cleans out the Circuit Court offices.

No Quorum. Lacking a quorum, the subcommittee on claims adjourned yesterday afternoon to this afternoon at 4 o'clock. The meeting had been called to hear the claim of Police Sergeant R. L. Shoemaker for \$200 for damages done to his property at 1301 and 1703 West Cary Street by grading.

## EDITORS GATHER IN ALEXANDRIA

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benefit and interest in the discussions. The business program, together with the entertainment features for the three days, follows:

Tuesday, June 23—Meeting of the association in the auditorium of the Elks' Home. Addresses of welcome on behalf of the city by Mayor Thomas A. Fisher, honorary chairman of the committee on entertainment; on behalf of the Eight District, by C. C. Carlin, member of Congress, and on behalf of the newspaper men of Alexandria, by Robert S. Barrett, of the Gazette, who has been active chairman of the committee preparing for the reception of the visitors. Response by Charles B. Cooke, president of the association. President Cooke will then read his annual address, and committees will be appointed.

12:30 o'clock—Visit to plant of Porter Brewing Company, where luncheon will be served at 1 o'clock.

2:30 o'clock—Automobile trip to

HOME OF ALEXANDRIA ELKS, WHERE EDITORS WILL MEET.

Arlington, Fort Myer, Georgetown and Great Falls.

7:30 o'clock—Moonlight excursion down the Potomac to Indian Head on the steamer St. John, of the Potomac and Chesapeake Steamboat Company.

Wednesday, June 24—Meeting of the association in Elks' Home. Reading of papers by Miss Bertha Gray Robinson, of the Orange Observer, historian of the association. Address by Thomas R. Marshall, Vice-President of the United States. Address by State Highway Commissioner George P. Coleman. Miscellaneous business.

12:30 o'clock—Excursion to Mt. Vernon as guests of the Washington Ladies' Association. Luncheon at Mt. Vernon.

4 o'clock—Return to Alexandria, where sight-seeing trip will be made to the Virginia Railway and Power and the Carlyle House.

7 o'clock—Banquet at the Elks' Auditorium.

Thursday, June 25—Meeting of the association. Unfinished business and election of officers.

9:45 o'clock—Leave for Washington by Washington-Virginia Railway.

10:30 o'clock—Automobile trip over Washington as guests of the Washington Chamber of Commerce, the Retail Merchants' Association and the National Press Club.

1 o'clock—Luncheon at the Chamber of Commerce, Washington.

The afternoon entertainment will include a visit to the Pan-American Building and to the various art museums.

AMONG THOSE WHO WILL ATTEND ANNUAL MEETING

Those who have written stating that they will attend are: R. A. Anderson and wife, Marion News, Marion; E. P. Bausell and wife, Lebanon News, Lebanon; Mrs. E. W. Bassell, News, Staunton; E. C. Bradshaw, Nottoway Record Company, Crewe; R. E. Byrd, Winchester Star, Winchester; Clarence J. Campbell, two daughters and son, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Miller, Amherst; W. E. Carson, Rivermont; A. H. Clements, son and daughter, Times-Virginian, Appomattox; Charles B. Cooke, Richmond Evening Journal, Richmond; W. S. Copeland, Newport News; W. S. Davis and wife, Pittsylvania Tribune, Chat-ham; L. R. Driver, Hanover Progress, Ashland; J. W. Everett, Richmond; E. S. Flynn, wife and sister, Victoria; George O. Greene, wife and four children, Clifton Forge Review, Clifton Forge; Joel C. Harris, Leesburg; M. T. Harrison, wife, daughter and niece, Bedford City; J. L. Hart, Farmville Herald, Farmville; Colonel C. E. Hasbrook and son, The Times-Dispatch, Richmond; N. R. Heaton, Blue Ridge Coalfield, Pulaski; Edgar Hedderly, Tomson; A. T. Hill and son, Glade Springs; W. M. Hundley and wife, Alta Vista Journal, Alta Vista; Miss Dorothy Jenkins, Roanoke; J. S. Johnson and wife, Clarksville; Mrs. Ellen C. Jones, Farmville; W. R. Kennedy and wife, Lexington; W. A. Land, Blackstone; James C. Latimer and wife, The Times-Dispatch, Richmond; W. C. Lauck, wife and sister, Page Courier, Luray; Mrs. M. M. Layne, Farmville;

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